

House Resolution No. 1347

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Nancy B. Collins, an esteemed resident of University City, Missouri, who is to be commended for the release of her first book and for her many accomplishments; and

Whereas, Nancy Collins began writing after enrolling in creative writing classes at OASIS in 1987, and had her first poem, "A Legacy for Youth", published ten years later in 1997; and

Whereas, a retired teacher and counselor, Nancy Collins has won numerous awards for her poetry which include the National Library of Poetry Outstanding Achievement in Poetry award, and a similar award by the International Library of Poetry; and

Whereas, it was a publication award which allowed Nancy Collins to publish her first collection of poetry, "Potpourri and Remembrances"; and

Whereas, Nancy Collins grew up in the Ville neighborhood in St. Louis where she attended elementary school, high school, and college before embarking on a career as an elementary school teacher, math teacher, and counselor at Soldan International Studies High School; and

Whereas, now seventy-nine years young, Nancy Collins faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness, attending the Monsanto YMCA no less than three times a week and always looking for inspiration to write her next poem:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Nancy Collins at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing her only the very best of success in all her future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Nancy B. Collins.

Offered by _____
Representative Maria N. Chappelle-Nadal
District No. 72

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1347, adopted March 18, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker